

Diplomats Watch the  
Pope's Health in

ROME.

Oregon Arrives in  
Fine Condition at

MANILA.

Cecil Rhodes  
Captures the Kaiser in

BERLIN.

Teaching Cubans  
Financial Order in

HAVANA.

## BRITISH EXPERT ON CERVERA'S RASH DASH.

Captain Orde-Browne Says If the Colon's Primary  
Guns Had Not Been Useless It Might  
Have Resulted Differently.

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LONDON, March 18.—Much the

same audience of military and naval officers as was present at Admiral Cervera's recent address on the naval operations at Santiago assembled yesterday at the Royal Artillery Institution, at Woolwich, to hear Captain Orde-Browne on the artillery lessons of the naval battles at Santiago.

Browne has less public reputation than Cervera, but a higher authority as an artillery expert does not exist in the British army. He did notable service as an artillery officer in the Crimean war, and ever since has advised the artillery authorities of the War Office and Woolwich.

In the course of his address he said the task Admiral Cervera set himself on the morning of the 3d of July was exceedingly dangerous. Spanish officers regarded it as desperate, but in his judgment it was not hopeless, and at the moment some circumstances seemed to favor the attempt. The vessels had to move slowly to get through the entrance to the harbor safely; once clear of the harbor, running the gauntlet of the American ships ought not to have been an impossible task. The Spanish ships had the advantage of getting up full steam before the Americans knew they were about to leave the harbor.

Moreover, half of the American engines were unaccounted for; Sampson's flagship had gone seven miles to the East, and the place of the Massachusetts had been taken temporarily by the Indiana.

Cervera's plan was to break through the western end of the line, hoping, doubtless, that the Brooklyn would be the only vessel he need come to close quarters with, and that the others might not be ready to give chase. Unless they were so ready, they would immediately be outstripped, because the speed of the American ships was inferior to that of the Spanish. The Spanish ships, in passing, were to deliver their fire into the Brooklyn so as to cripple her before she could get to the rear.

So far, he said, most naval officers would concur with Cervera, but the attempt of the Viceroy to ram the Brooklyn was open to serious objections. The American battle ships were very singularly deficient in quick fire guns, and in not having smokeless powder. The artillery interest was centered in the part played by the Colon, which at one time seemed to have got away, with a lead

of four or five miles. The firing of the American war ships was remarkably effective. It was a remarkable circumstance that the Spanish fire hardly injured the American ships. How came it that the Brooklyn did not suffer, and that the Spanish surrendered almost immediately?

The hits shown on the Brooklyn clearly indicated that a considerable volume of Spanish fire passed over her, but too high to be of use. Too much could not be said of the courage and devotion of the officers of both fleets. He knew some of them personally, and knew there was no lack of courage on either side. He knew the captain of the Colon, and it must have been most disheartening to him to go to sea with his principal guns deficient; with the knowledge that they could bark, but could not bite. In the light of the prompt action of the United States ships it was doubtful whether the Viceroy, Teresa and Oquendo could have escaped. But there is no doubt the Colon might if it hadn't hugged the shore.

There had been a good deal said about the shooting of the Americans; he didn't think that reasonable, for it must be remembered that within eight minutes after smoke was seen moving in the harbor they actually began firing. The Oregon had excited most admiration; it was mainly a twelve-inch shell of hers going over the Colon that caused that vessel to go ashore. The part played by the Brooklyn appeared to have been magnified by correspondents. It was impossible to escape the conclusion that she was placed where she would have a particular part in the play, and played it well. But, naturally, the ship selected for the hottest fire would play the most prominent part in the battle.

The Americans did not seem to appreciate the difference between the Colon and the other ships, though he knew Admiral Sampson was a great authority on armory.

In conclusion Captain Orde-Browne said his idea was that an order should have been given something in these words: "Be sure to distinguish the Colon. She is covered with hard-faced, six-inch harveard armor, which can only be penetrated by primary guns. If the Colon had been possessed of her primary guns the story of the battle of Santiago might have been quite different."

In the discussion that followed Colonel J. Jocelyn, R. A., Major Boleau and others shared.

## GERMANY RHODES'S RAILWAY PARTNER.

Road from the Cape to Cairo  
Will Go Through the  
Kaiser's Territory.

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BERLIN, March 18.—All ob-

stacles in the way of Cecil Rhodes's trans-African railway scheme have been removed since the conference last week between Kaiser Wilhelm and the noted South African millionaire. The agreement arrived at between the most active commercial drummer sovereign of Europe and this hustler is of vast international importance.

Mr. Rhodes was told that the Kaiser desired to take a hand in the African railway building from Cairo to the Cape. Shrewd Mr. Rhodes knew that the German Government did not want to have its African possessions isolated, while Great Britain and Belgium had the monopoly of passenger and freight transportation. So Mr. Rhodes hastened to Berlin, and the Kaiser gladly granted him an audience.

Preliminary to the discussion of the scheme it was necessary to pave the way with expressions of cordial good will. For it must be remembered that neither Mr. Rhodes nor Great Britain has forgotten the congratulatory dispatch which the Kaiser sent to President Kruger on the defeat of the Jameson raid.

Germany blamed Mr. Rhodes then for it all. He was regarded as a British bully, whose money could buy the conscience of John Bull and whose land-grabbing schemes were heartily encouraged in England. It seems that all this was gone over in the audience with the Kaiser and that, when the latter was assured that no British officers were implicated in the raid, he was easily propitiated. Mr. Rhodes was also convinced of a perfect reconciliation before he left.

The result of the conference is an alliance of British and German interests in Africa. The German colony has been thrown open for Mr. Rhodes, and he will be permitted to build his line northward from Tanganyika through German territory.

Of course there is an incidental condition attached to the agreement. The Disconto Gesellschaft, of Berlin, with the consent of the German Government, will provide part of the capital required to build this section of the railway, and Germany will be given the contract for the bulk of the material which Mr. Rhodes will need.

As a token, Mr. Rhodes received from the Kaiser the latest photograph of His Majesty, with the Imperial photograph.

EXCHANGE OF COURTESIES

WITH ADMIRAL CAMARA.

Cruiser Raleigh Raises the Spanish  
Ensign and Fires a  
Salute.

Gibraltar, March 17.—As the United States cruiser Raleigh sailed for New York this afternoon, homeward bound from Malilla, in order to be put out of commission, she hoisted the Spanish ensign and fired a salute while passing the Spanish squadron, commanded by Admiral Camara, off Algeciras.

The Spanish flagship Carlos Quinto thereupon hoisted the American ensign and returned the salute.

## CHOATE TOO WARY FOR THE BRITONS.

Disappointment in London  
Because He Did Not Boom  
an Alliance.

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LONDON, March 18.—The event

of the week has been the debut here of United States Ambassador Joseph H. Choate as a public speaker at the recent banquet of the Association of Chambers of Commerce of the United Kingdom.

While his speech has been much admired as straight utterances from a self-respecting nation, there is a tinge of disappointment in many quarters. Thus, David Christie Murray, the novelist and editor of the London Morning, writes: "We have had the intellectual and spiritual best of America with us for many years, but we have not had the mass of Americans with us and we had no right to expect them. The feeling still exists in millions of minds in the United States that we are guided solely by our selfish interests, and it is in deference to this feeling that the newly-appointed Ambassador, in his maiden speech, treats warily along with friendship, and safeguards himself by one or two declarations which are unmistakably intended to prove that America's friendship for England is in nowise of the self-sacrificing order."

"Mr. Choate was as genial as could be desired, and, at the same time, he was most admirably dexterous. It is a pity he should feel it necessary to be dexterous; but we must take what we can get in the way of friendship and confidence from America, and be thankful that we can still look forward to the time when Americans will universally recognize the basis of our desire for an actual, binding union with themselves."

At the same time Mr. Choate is being feted by the Chambers of Commerce.

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PARIS, March 18.—A high ec-

clesiastic informs the Journal that President Loubet is using energetic efforts to obtain as successor to Leo a diplomatic rather than a religious Pope, and that the reactionary Cardinal, Parocchi, is the candidate having the support of France.

President Loubet sees in Parocchi the man to help the French Republic toward a discontinuance of the Royalist intrigues.

Calling Parocchi, Cardinal Capécatt would be France's second choice.

Germany favors the Carmelite Cardinal Gotti, who is willing to be a tool to the Kaiser.

The question of Americanism, though disposed of from the standpoint of doctrine, is still vital from the point of view of discipline. The Reactionaries are working in Rome to bring about the condemnation of certain customs of the Catholic Church in America. A Pope of the type of Parocchi would be in accord with Ireland and Gibbons.

Rome, March 18.—No European government is neglecting the precaution of receiving constant bulletins on the Pope's condition. The English Foreign Office has three wires daily from the Embassy at Rome.

Public telegrams are less serious in tone than private advices, and diplomats consider the Pope's death near. They have revived the controversy as to whether the next conclave should be held in Rome.

The theory that the College of Cardinals would not be able to make free choice there was exploded by the fact that February, 1878, seven years after the Italian occupation, the present Pope was chosen at a conclave in the Eternal City. There is, however, a chance that if Pope Leo XIII. sufficiently recovers a section of the College of Cardinals will wish him removed elsewhere.

LORD GRANTLEY SEEKS  
A FOREIGN REFUGE.

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LONDON, March 18.—Lord Grantley, co-respondent in the divorce suit in which Le Breton, brother of Mrs. Langtry, was a successful petitioner, has gone to the Continent with Mrs. Le Breton.

The affair continues to scandalize Lord Grantley's intimates. This is the second time he has been before a divorce court. The first time was twenty years ago. His cousin, Major Granville Norton, married an American lady. Nine years after the marriage Norton secured a divorce, and, to escape Norton's credit, the very day after Lord Grantley's marriage, he married the woman he had injured. She died in 1897.

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## FRANCE SCHEMING FOR PAROLECHI AS POPE.



Cardinal Lucido Parocchi, Vicar General of the Pope.

## QUEEN STOPS A ROYAL QUARREL.

Her Majesty Reconciles the  
Grand Duke and Duchess  
of Hesse.

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DARMSTADT, March 18.—

Through the influence of Queen Victoria the matrimonial squabbles of the Grand Duke and Duchess of Hesse have been arranged for a time at least. Court gossip says the reconciliation will not endure, owing to the radical contrast of their characters. The masculine tastes are monopolized by the Grand Duchess, while the feminine ones belong to the Grand Duke.

She is a lover of outdoor sports, is an exceedingly early riser, and is generally to be seen galloping across country perched on the back of her coach managing a spirited four-in-hand with the utmost skill and grace. The Grand Duke, on the other hand, cares nothing for horses, hates all forms of sport, is a late riser and leads a languid and somewhat effeminate existence.

## ALMA STANLEY ON HER OWN DEMISE.

Gloomy Enough to Die, She  
Says, but Her Obituary  
Is Premature.

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LONDON, March 18.—Actress

Alma Stanley, who was reported dead, confessed to the Journal correspondent to-day to being in bad spirits. Times were not good with her, and she did mean to die, though the announcement of her death was quite premature.

She has been recently seriously ill with pneumonia, and got scores of telegrams of inquiry since the English papers reported her death. One inquirer put humor into the thing by sending this message: "Sorry to hear of your demise; when will you be down here to-morrow?"

To assure her friends, she went to-day to a popular rendezvous of the profession, where her resurrection was the occasion of a general rejoicing. Miss Stanley's husband is in California. She has had only one engagement during the year past, and in speaking of this she said, sobbing, "Till I go back to America, I love America. It's a sweet place. It has a fine people; give me America, give me America!"

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## PARIS DELVES IN AN ANCIENT RELIGION.

French Society Flocks to the Revival of the Mysteries  
of the Ancient Egyptian Belief and Expects  
to Build a Temple to Isis.

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PARIS, March 18.—The latest

fad of decadent Paris is a project to build a temple to Isis and revive the mysteries of the Egyptian religion. This revival is the outcome of some lectures which have been given recently by the distinguished psychologist and student of the "black art," Jules Bois. He is an attractive personage to Americans, if only for the reason that he is the secretary of the Lafayette Society, which has for its object the promotion of the entente cordiale between France and the United States. M. Bois said to the Journal:

"I am not surprised that the people here are taking up the religion of ancient Egypt. It has good points from a philosophical standpoint, though philosophy cannot heal

all of the common ignorance of humanity; neither can theology. Still my object is not to revive the religion of Isis, for in view of the development of beliefs its revival would be a religious anachronism."

"But this hoary subject is spiritually interesting. What could be more fascinating than a knowledge of the modes of thought of a far-off people who lived, loved, worried and worshipped in the Valley of the Nile thousands of years ago? It is a pleasure to revel in the distant, spiritual past, and feel that at least for a moment one is far away from the corymbant Christians of the present."

"There are many Luciferians—worshippers of the devil—here; we have Judeizing sects; we have Essenians, who chronologically belong to the first century of the Christian era; there are men in Paris who worship the ancient gods Bacchus and Venus, and pour their libations upon altars erected for them. The worship of Isis would be preferable to this."

## HUNGRY FOREIGN EYES FIXED ON LIBERIA.

Germany and France Anxiously Waiting  
an Opportunity to Gain Control of  
the Little Republic's Wealth.

London, March 18.—Bishop Grant, of Philadelphia, has arrived at Liverpool from Liberia. He says that Germany and France are vigilantly watching the little republic. He added:

"The United States, of course, will do everything reasonable to protect Liberia.

But Liberia's concessions to foreigners might put protection out of the power of the United States. If a disaster occurs Liberia certainly ought not to have France or Germany as a protector. The Liberians naturally would favor the United States of England, if they are ever forced to give up their independence."

The Bishop was much pleased with the success of his missionary work. He says the people only need encouragement from stronger nations in order to develop Liberia's resources of gold and silver and possibly diamonds, which are practically untouched.

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